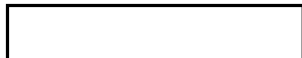


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1. [REDACTED] AG ASSISTANCE TO DEFENSE SECRETARY'S OFFICE: Major George Pickett of the Office of the Secretary of Defense, who said he was working on Defense Secretary Rumsfeld's budget message, requested some statements by Soviet leaders and others on the role of the Soviet Union and Soviet military in world affairs, mainly statements which would show how Soviet military power negatively affects the U.S. position. He seemed uninterested in others I offered which spoke of the importance of U.S. and Soviet cooperation in the world to maintain peace, etc. I provided several quotations from political and military leaders.

Pickett called back on 4 March after completing draft to express his appreciation for help, saying the speech was scheduled for next week and we would see what makes the final version.

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